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PHC Testimony
CT

Dear Testimony,

No one should have to suffer at the end of life. Many dying patients suffer, even with the best care and pain management. I urge you to support the Compassionate Aid-in-Dying bill.

This sound legislation would give terminally ill, mentally competent Connecticut residents the right to administer medication to end their suffering and bring about a peaceful death.

Passage would make Connecticut the nation's fifth state to legalize aid in dying. Since Oregon passed a similar law in 1997, no cases of abuse have been reported. In fact, many who request the medication never even fill the prescription but benefit from the peace of mind of knowing that they have a measure of control over their final days.

I want my pets to die at home and not on some stainless steel table at the vets. They dont let people give them something themselves as there are so many horrible animal abusers. I have the vet come here when ever that is an option. I dont see why we can't do that for ourselves too.

Please support the Compassionate Aid-in-Dying bill today.

Sincerely,

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